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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Abidjan Bureau

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Chief, Panama Bureau
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THROUGH : Chief, Monitoring Operations Division

FROM :  Planning and Projects Officer, MOD

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SUBJECT : Abidjan Emergency Coverage Plan

REFERENCES : A. MHQ-5023 -- Request for Emergency Coverage Plans
B. MAB-5009 -- Draft Abidjan Emergency Coverage Plans
C. FBIS London 95604 -- Response on Abidjan Emergency Coverage Plan
D. PA572 -- Concurrence on Abidjan Emergency Coverage

1. Attached is the finalized emergency coverage plan for Abidjan Bureau. The plan closely follows Ref B draft submitted by Abidjan in May 1985, and incorporates suggestions in Ref C. Comments or corrections are solicited.

2. MOD will be adhering to the 6-month update schedule for these plans, as stated in Ref A. Accordingly, the next update of this plan will be due in July 1986. Bureau may wirefile suggested updates at that time.



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Attachment:

AB Emergency Coverage Plan

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cc: Ch/AB, Ch/LD, Ch/MB, Ch/PA, Ch/WSS, MOD Files (2)



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ABIDJAN BUREAU EMERGENCY COVERAGE PLAN

In the event of interruption of Abidjan Bureau operations, and subject to changes depending on the situation at the time:

1. LD/BBC would take (Class A coverage underlined):

A. Clandestine Bardai Chadian National Radio in French
Nouakchott Domestic Service in English (only audible in winter)

Lagos International Service in English
Paris Diplomatic Information Service in French
Kinshasa Domestic Service in French (from satellite if unheard at EAU)

Niamey Domestic Service in french (from satellite)
Kinshasa Television Service in French (from satellite)
Niamey Television Service in French (from satellite)
Lagos Television Service in English (from satellite)

Note: Satellite coverage would be implemented only in crisis situations due to LD/BBC ROSET commitments.

2. EAU would take (Class A coverage underlined):

A. Bangui Domestic Service in French
Ndjamena Domestic Service in french
Dakar PANA in English, French
Kinshasa Domestic Service in French
Kinshasa AZAP in French

Note: EAU French capability is limited; coverage of sources listed above would probably be limited to high precedence material.

B. Personnel Shifts: None.

C. Equipment Needed: None.

3. PANAMA Bureau would take (Class A coverage underlined):

A. Paris AFP in English "Africabeams" service (other AFP bureaus would backstop according to SOP and would increase coverage of Sub-Saharan Africa)

B. personnel Shifts: None.

C. Equipment Needed: None.

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4. ELAAD would assume coverage of all Africa-oriented publications covered by Abidjan and available to ELAAD.

5. LOSSES would include Accra Domestic Service and Lagos NAN (both Class A), as well as all other media monitored at Abidjan and not listed above.

6. VULNERABILITY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND ELECTRIC POWER:



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B. Emergency generator capable of powering entire bureau is located on bureau premises; two smaller generators, capable of running essential radios and communications equipment, are also available.

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